

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)		Docket Number (Optional) 030793-03400
In re Application of R. Sam Niedbala, et al.		
Application Number 09/997,023		Filed November 10, 2001
For SAMPLE COLLECTOR AND TEST DEVICE		
Group Art Unit 1743	Examiner Lyle A. Alexander	

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Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

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